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- 11. (SBU) Ambassador Baatar, Director of the International Organizations Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT), stated that countries should not be singled out in the UNGA for Human Rights abuses. Rather, he argued, the Third Committee session is a forum for discussing thematic issues. The Human Rights Council, he argued, is the appropriate place for resolutions concerning particular countries. Nonetheless he stated this guideline was not binding upon the delegation, and that they would consider resolutions case-by-case.
- 12. (SBU) Regarding the Defamation of Religions resolution, Baatar echoed the sponsors' concern for offensive speech and its ability to provoke conflict. Nonetheless, he stated his government had not yet taken a position on the matter.
- 13. (SBU) Finally, Baatar voiced preliminary support for the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women resolution, and promised to examine the draft.
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